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Applicant: Dovek et al.

Assignee: Maxtor Corporation

Title: MAGNETIC STORAGE DEVICE WITH FLUX-GUIDED
MAGNETORESISTIVE HEAD USING A PERPENDICULAR
RECORDING MEDIA (AS AMENDED)

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ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
Washington, D.C. 20231

RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

The Office Action dated December 19, 2000, is responsive to communication(s) filed on October 3, 2000. A Notice of Appeal and Appeal Brief were filed on October 3, 2000. Therefore, this Office Action is improper and should be withdrawn.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on January 5, 2001.

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